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Readiness Assessment – Do you know the implications of not being ready?

Are you aware of the implications of not being ready for the implementation of versions 5010 and D.0? Providers who are not ready to submit electronic 5010 transactions to Medicare-Fee-For-Service during calendar year 2011 will be permitted to continue submitting electronic 4010A1 transactions, however, all trading partners are required to begin submitting version 5010/D.0 transactions starting January 1, 2012. Trading partners that are new to Medicare as of April 2011 will not be permitted to submit 4010A1 transactions in 2011, but will be required to submit in the 5010/D.0 formats. Please reference the 5010 National Call presentation on Provider Outreach and Education – Transition Year Activities found at http://www.cms.gov/versions5010andD0/downloads/OE_National_Presentation_12-8-10.pdf for Medicare testing requirements and protocols throughout the 2011 transition year.

Trading partners are strongly encouraged to begin testing with version 5010/D.0 transactions as early as possible in 2011.

Trading partners who are not ready to submit electronic 5010 transactions by January 1, 2012 will not be able to submit electronic transactions in any other format! Therefore, failure to successfully transition to 5010/D.0 formats by January 1, 2012 may jeopardize future claim processing and payment thereafter.